

Amendments to the Abstract

Please amend the abstract as follows.

Abstract

A device is provided for monitoring an electric overhead line, which device is constituted by an independently operating real time multisensor for mounting in a position on a span of the overhead line. The device has a built-in transmitter for transmitting sensor signals to a remote central, and comprises a laser range finder for measuring distance to the ground beneath the overhead line, as well as a camera for visual inspection of the line and its surroundings. ~~Further, there is provided a system for maintaining the operation of a power line network, based on remote controlled shut off of switches installed in special appliances, particularly electric hot water tanks, at the premises of small consumers/private households.~~